

IN THE CLAIMS

~~Cancel~~ claims 5 and 12, without prejudice to the claims remaining in the case as a result of this amendment.

Kindly ~~amend~~ claims 1 and 6, as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method for treating a fluid work material containing a target constituent comprising the steps of presenting said work material for treating in accordance with said method; and applying a thiosulfate to said work material operable to treat said work material to achieve a predetermined objective relative to the target constituent in said work material.

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6. (Amended) The method of claim 4 wherein said treating agent is a thiosulfate selected from the group consisting of calcium thiosulfate, potassium thiosulfate, sodium thiosulfate and ammonium thiosulfate.